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SUBJ: PROBLEMS OF THE BORDER DISTRIBUTING COMPANY OF EL PASO WITH
REGARD TO DIESEL FUEL IN MEXICO

REF: UNCLAS STATE 116788 OF 4 JUNE 1974

1. EMBASSY BEGAN INVESTIGATION OF INCIDENT FEBRUARY 11, 1974, AND IN COOPERATION WITH AMCONSUL CIUDAD JUAREZ, ATTEMPTED TO SECURE RELEASE OF TRUCK FROM MEXICAN CUSTOMS. CUSTOMS IN BOTH CIUDAD JUAREZ AND MEXICO CITY WERE UNCOOPERATIVE. FINALLY, ON FEBRUARY 21, 1974, EMBASSY ADDRESSED A NOTE TO FOREIGN OFFICE REQUESTING THAT THE ISSUE BE RESOLVED AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

2. ON MARCH 13, 1974, TRUCK WAS RELEASED BY CUSTOMS UPON PAYMENT OF 30,000 PESO FINE.

3. EMBASSY WAS INFORMED LATER THAT BRIBE OF 4,000 DOLLARS US ALLEGEDLY WAS PAID BY BORDER DISTRIBUTING COMPANY TO MEXICAN CUSTOMS OFFICIAL IN CIUDAD JUAREZ TO EXPEDITE PROCESSING OF PAPERS.

4. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NO FURTHER WORD FROM COMPANY OR THEIR ATTORNEYS AND CONSIDERS CASE CLOSED.
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